

Texas 4-H Volunteer Awards Program Handbook



2009

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Each year, the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program provides awards and recognition for various individuals and groups that provide support to the 4-H program. All awards are presented at the Salute to Excellence Banquet on **Wednesday, June 10, 2009**, at Texas 4-H Roundup. **NOTE: In 2009, the Salute to Excellence Banquet will be held during the lunch hour.**

A list of prior award winners is available on the Texas 4-H Website at:
<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/adults/volunteers/awards.html>

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Recognition of individuals who have made significant contributions to the youth of Texas is one of the most important things the Texas 4-H and Youth Develop Program can do. Any Extension employee, 4-H member and/or volunteer may make nominations for the awards.

For all award nominations, the corresponding award application/nomination form must be completed, typed and submitted to the respective County Extension Agent by the deadline listed below. Be concise, brief and interesting. Use only the space provided on the nomination form. Do not add pages to any application.

NOMINATION DEADLINES

Deadline for County Office <u>to receive</u> nominations:	February 12, 2009
Deadline for District Office <u>to receive</u> nominations:	March 13, 2009
Deadline for State Office <u>to receive</u> nominations:	March 27, 2009

All applications should be sent to the Bexar County Extension office:
Texas 4-H Volunteer Awards
3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. S-212
San Antonio, Texas 78230

CITATION FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO 4-H

This award recognizes an individual or a business who has made an outstanding contribution to Texas 4-H programs ON A REGIONAL OR STATE BASIS. Awards are generally made based on a long-term commitment rather than a one-time program. Individuals or businesses that are local supporters, and limit their contributions to local programs, should be recognized at the local level. The number of citations awarded will vary from year to year.

TEXAS 4-H ALUMNI AWARD

The Texas 4-H Alumni Award will recognize adults who have made significant achievements IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. Consideration is given to individuals who have demonstrated an outstanding record of achievement AS A 4-H MEMBER and who have shown evidence of 4-H's influence on their adult lives. Continued service to 4-H in adulthood is very important. This award is sponsored by the Texas 4-H Friends and Alumni Association. **No current Extension employee may receive this award.** The number of 4-H alumni awards presented will vary from year to year.

TEXAS 4-H SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE AWARD

This award recognizes outstanding 4-H volunteers for their service to 4-H programs and the impact that they have had on the lives of young people. Each district may select two recipients who will be honored with this award. A couple may count as one nominee. The awards are sponsored by the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program. Districts are strongly encouraged to submit one award winner for excellence in club work (community, project, school) and one award winner for excellence through special interest and curriculum enrichment programs.

LEADER'S LEGACY AWARD

This award recognizes a 4-H leader who has been an integral part of the 4-H and Youth Development Program for 20 years or more. The person who is nominated for this award may or may not be the person who is always in the spotlight, but is one who makes an impact and a difference on the 4-H members with whom he/she works. Stretch beyond normal thinking and be inclusive in making a selection for this prestigious nomination.

Specific requirements for the Leader's Legacy Award include:

- Twenty (20) or more years of service to 4-H as a volunteer leader.
- Continuing support of the 4-H program at any level.
- Must have been a club manager or project leader in a county in Texas for at least five (5) years.

**CITATION FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO 4-H
NOMINATION FORM**

Name/Company of Award Nominee: _____
(Use the person's actual name to be placed on the plaque.)

Phonetic Spelling of Nominee/Company: _____

Contact (if company being nominated): _____

Professional Title of Contact: _____

County: _____ District: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ TX Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Provide a description of the nominee's contributions made to the Texas 4-H Program on a regional/state basis.

Write a short (100 words or less) script that can be used in presenting the award. Include the person's most outstanding accomplishments in 4-H.

Name of person submitting nomination: _____ County: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

**TEXAS 4-H ALUMNI AWARD
NOMINATION FORM**

Name of Award Nominee: _____
(Use the person's actual name to be placed on the plaque.)

Phonetic Spelling of Nominee's Name: _____

County: _____ District: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ TX Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Employment of Nominee: _____

Professional Title: _____

Provide a description of significant achievements the nominee has made in his/her community as a result of 4-H.

Write a short (100 words or less) script that can be used in presenting the award. Include the person's most outstanding accomplishments in 4-H.

Name of person submitting nomination: _____ County: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

**TEXAS 4-H SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE
NOMINATION FORM**

Name of Award Nominee: _____
(Use the person's actual name to be placed on the plaque.)

Phonetic Spelling of Nominee's Name: _____

County: _____ District: _____ Number of Years as a Volunteer: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ TX Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Occupation/Professional Title: _____

Name of club, group or project with which nominee is affiliated: _____

Write a short script (100 words or less) that can be used in presenting the award to the nominee, if selected.
Include the person's most outstanding accomplishments in 4-H as a volunteer.

Name of person submitting nomination: _____ County: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

List the five most outstanding accomplishments of this volunteer.

What positive impact has this volunteer's contributions had on 4-H and 4-H youth?

Please describe how the volunteer exemplifies a "mentor-learner" relationship with youth.

Please describe the personal growth (you have observed) from this individual serving as a 4-H volunteer.

TEXAS 4-H SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE

SCORE SHEET

Name of Nominee:	Points	Score
1. Outstanding Accomplishments of Volunteer	30	
Comments:		
2. Impact of contributions on 4-H program and youth	30	
Comments:		
3. Volunteer's demonstration of "mentor-learner" relationship with youth	30	
Comments:		
4. Volunteer's personal growth as a result of serving as a 4-H volunteer	10	
Comments:		
Total Score	100	

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Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ TX Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Name of club, group or project with which nominee is affiliated: _____

County: _____ District: _____ Number of Years as a Volunteer: _____

Previous county(ies) in which nominee served as a volunteer: _____

Number of years as: Club Manager: _____ Project/Activity Leader: _____ Master Volunteer: _____

Write a short (100 words or less) script that can be used in presenting the award.

What **one word** would you use to describe this leader in his/her role with the youth program? _____

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Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

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Describe how the volunteer exemplifies a "mentor-learner" relationship with youth.

Describe the personal growth (you have observed) from this individual serving as a 4-H volunteer.